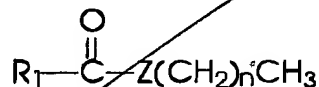


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**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please substitute amended claim 1 for pending claim 1 as follows:

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1. (Amended) A compound having the formula:



wherein R<sub>1</sub>, Z and the carbonyl can be comprised by a common ring, wherein R<sub>1</sub> comprises a chromophore that absorbs light from the visible wavelength range; wherein the segment Z comprises one or more of C, O, N and S; and wherein n is an integer that is at least 17.

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Please add the following new claim:

B2

67. (New) The compound according to claim 1 wherein R<sub>1</sub> comprises a chromophore selected from the group consisting of methine, metal phthalocyanine, azamethine, azo, triphenylmethane, rhodamine, xanthene, indoaniline, pyridone, perylene, anthrapyridone, and anthraquinone.